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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
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JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 27, 1887. 383

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$5,000 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor may be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written on at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Posts Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1887. 754

Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 6 (SPECIAL).

CHINA SEA.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

WEEK OF S.S. Menalch.

NOTICE is hereby given that Observations, taken on the 25th instant by Captain ROMAN, Marine Surveyor, fix the position of the Wreck of the Manzett, a little less than 81 miles N. 59° E. magnetic from the North Sheld Light-house, in about 12 fathoms at low water spring tide.

The Three Masts of the Wreck were standing upright at the time; the Bows of the Manzett were rigging being about 7 feet above high water.

A. M. BISBEE,

Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspectors Office, Shanghai, 26th May, 1887. 1025

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Coat-of-Clothing, Books, or Pictures will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 26, 1887.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

CUSTOM HOUSE, Kowloon, 31st May, 1887.

NOTICE is hereby given that a HULL has been moored at the back of Stonecutters' Island, in Chinese Waters, which will be used as a CUSTOM HOUSE and OPPIUM REPACKING HULL provisionally pending more durable arrangements.

IMPORTERS OF OPPIUM into China are informed that, on and after TO-MORROW, the 1st June, they can bring their DRUG—either in unbroken Cases or in Parcels made up in accordance with the New Hongkong Opium Ordinance—to the CHINESE CUSTOMS at Kowloon, paying the Duty and DUTY-HAKUAN TALES 110.0 per Picul—or it, Republic (if necessary) and Transit Certificates made out (if wanted). Any further information can be obtained by Merchants at the Kowloon Custom House, which, for the present, will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., SUNDAYS excepted.

F. A. MORGAN,
1031
Commissioner of Customs.

WANTED.

A STEWARDESS & THIRD OFFICER for the British Steamship *Parthia* to leave on the 7th June. Apply to Captain Brough on Board before 10 a.m. or to

ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 2, 1887. 1050

HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

OFFICE, NO. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD.

FIRE BRICKS OF SUPERIOR QUALITY FOR SALE.
PRICE, \$30 PER 1,000.

The following Testimonials have been received from F. W. CROSS, Esq., Manager, HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LTD.

I have herewith much pleasure in testifying to the quality of the FIRE BRICKS as made by you at your new works.

In appearance the Brick is light and soft as compared with the ordinary Fire Brick used in the Colony, but this I may say is characteristic of the best English Fire Brick.

After a very severe test I have no hesitation in saying that this Brick is admirably suited to resist any degree of heat that it may be likely to undergo and for all purposes that Fire Bricks are used for.

I am now about to build into one of my Furnaces and have no doubt of their being able to stand as well as the English Fire Bricks I have been using.

Hongkong, May 23, 1887. 981

LARGE ASSORTMENT OF NEW SUMMER DRESS MATERIALS consisting of NEEDLEWORK COSTUMES, Fancy CANVAS CLOTHES, SPECIALITIES IN CREPE STRIPES, STRIPE and CHECK ZEPHYRS to MATCH, LLAMA CAMBRICS, &c., &c.

Also, a New Assortment of PARASOLS, SILK GLOVES, CORSETS, LAOE MANTILLAS, Fancy ANTI-MACASSARS, GENTLEMEN'S SUMMER SOCKS, VESTS and DRAWERS, TABLE LINENS, FURNITURE PLUSHES, &c.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, May 21, 1887. 607

(TELEPHONE 21).

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THE LONDON AERATED WATERS

MANUFACTURERS,

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CONTINUE TO SUPPLY

Their popular AERATED DRINKS, viz:

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SABARAPILLA,

LEMONADE,

GINGERADE,

RASPBERRYADE,

&c., &c.

SPECIAL RATES TO LARGE CONSUMERS.

Hongkong, May 6, 1887. 595

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

ARE respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Road, WILL receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being

presented, Communication with the Underwriters, Correspondence with the Agent, and the production of his Pass-Book will be requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1458

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-PONG,

Surgeon Dentist,

(Formerly ATTACHED APPRENTICE and LAT-

TERLY ASSISTANT to Dr. ROGERS.)

At the urgent request of his European

and American patients and friends,

has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly oc-

cupied by Dr. ROGERS.

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to Missionaries and families.

See Address.

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(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,

Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,

Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,

Optical Instruments,

Optical Instruments,

Optical Instruments,

Nautical Scientific and

Mathematical Instruments.

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THE CHINA MAIL

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To-day's Advertisements.

In the Matter of the Estate of LEONG ON in Liquidation.

NOTICE is hereby given that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the ESTATE will be held on MONDAY, the 4th July, 1887, at 11 of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the Offices of Mr. ALFRED GASSOYNE WISE in the Supreme Court, Hongkong, to receive PROOF OF DEBTS against the Estate. All Creditors who have not yet proved should do so on or before the said 4th July, 1887. And after that date the Trustees of the Estate will declare a Dividend having regard only to the Claims which shall then have been proved.

Dated 4th June, 1887.

WOTTON & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Trustees of the
above Estate.

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY have, This Day been REMOVED temporarily to No. 26, Praya Central, the premises lately occupied by Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

E. L. WOODIN,
Acting Superintendent,
Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1069

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from D. K. GRIFFITH, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 11th June, 1887, at 2 p.m., at his Residence, No. 1, Duddell Street—

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HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, &c.,
consisting of—

CAMERAS, LENSES, STANDS, and SUNDRY PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS and BOOKS of VIEWS.

OLE PAINTINGS and SUNDRY FRAMED PHOTOGRAPHS.

TABLES and SHOW CASES, EXTERIOR

DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD and WHATNOT,

VIENNA CHAIRS, DINER, DESSERT and TEA SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE,

DOOR-KNOB BRASS, BRASS MOUNTED,

DOOR-KNOB WARDROBE, MARBLE-TOP

TOILET TABLE and WASHTAND.

A COTTAGE PIANO, by LUNAU

LUDWIG.

ONE JINRICKSHA, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS of SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1072

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN.

The Steamship *Nanking*, Capt. Wanstall, will be despatched as above on

WEDNESDAY, the 8th June, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1063

FOR BANGKOK (DIRECT).

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer *Taichow*, Captain J. NEWTON, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAT HONG,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1071

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGAI.

(Taking Cargos and Passengers at through rate for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEW-CHANG, TAKOUM, and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Footong*, Captain Hoog, will be despatched as above on

THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1064

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA, VIA SAIGON AND SINGAPORE.

The Co.'s Steamship *Telesio*, Captain Joos, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1065

STEAM TO SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship *Kina*

will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 11th June, at 3 p.m.

E. L. WOODIN,
Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1067

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

The Steamship *Merioneth*, Capt. W. RICHARDSON, Com-mander, will be despatched

for the above Ports on the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1068

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargos and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Jason*, Capt. McWilliams, will be despatched as above to MORROW, the 7th instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1062

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Peking*, Captain G. HEFFERMANN,

will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMENS & CO.

Hongkong, June 6, 1887. 1063

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 4, 1887—

Vesperian, British str., 701, J. Stevens, Saigon May 31, Rice.—ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Nemesis, French steam-yacht, 262, T. Schubert, Yokohama May 28.

Peking, British steamer, from Whampoa-Canton, British steamer from Whampoa-Marie, German str., 705, W. Schaefer, Haiphong June 2, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Rockang, British steamer, 90, H. W. Hogg, Shanghai June 1, General.—JAN DINE, MATTHESON & CO.

Vortigen, British steamer, 873, J. BEVAN, Saigon May 31, Rice.—ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Khiva, British steamer, 1,452, G. Bason, May 20, and Singapore 30, General.—P. & O. S. N. CO.

Portugia, British steamer, 1,857, Jason Hogg, Saigon June 2, Rice & Paddy.—ADAMSON.

Kuang Lee, Chinese str., 1,508, Wulla, Shanghai June 1, and Swatow 4, General.—C. M. S. N. CO.

Sussex, British steamer, 704, Warren, Swatow June 4, Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Brenesse, Austro-Hungarian str., 1,707, G. Shattoe, Trieste May 18, and Singapore 31, General.—AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD S. N. CO.

Nordisk, Danish steamer, 863, Davidsson, Nagasaki May 31, Coal.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Hawke, British steamer, 2,332, W. McKenzie, Newcastle May 19, Coal.—SIEMENS & CO.

Jason, British steamer, 1,520, Milligan, Liverpool and Singapore May 31, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Yorkshire, British steamer, 1,488, O. J. Arnold, Saigon June 1, Rice.—ROSSLER.

Velox, German steamer, 636, M. Kallisen, Saigon May 31, Rice.

DEPARTURES.

June 5—

Peking, British steamer, from Whampoa-Canton, British steamer from Whampoa-Marie, German str., 705, W. Schaefer, Haiphong June 2, General.—A. R. MARTY.

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THE preparations for the celebration on June 21st, in Shanghai, are taking definite shape. The arch on the Bund is beginning to show quite prominently. It is a curious fact that the Executive Committee is not letting the grass grow under the feet of the Chinese at work. We fear, however, that all appearance that when the day comes nothing will be lacking, but that the Committee can confidently report "All things are now ready."

A CHINIAN in Tsinwan represents the market there as being very dull, the state of things contrasting strongly with former openings. He suggests that the paragraph about the steamer arrangements, extracted by us from our southern contemporaries, must have been written "to order," and that there would be a very good opening in Formosa for strong opposition to the existing monopoly.—N. C. D. Nees.

SAYS THE Shanghai Mercury of 31st ultimo: "It is a rather rare occurrence for a fair stand-up fight to be recorded in Shanghai. Such an event did, however, come up yesterday morning. In the wee small hours of the morning four individuals might have been seen scuffling their way to a quiet secluded nook not far from the Kifu Hotel. One of the fighters' shod about 4 feet, the other about 5 feet 7 inches. It was almost a moral certainty that the 'big'un' would knock the other fellow out of time in very short order. It was not so, however, for at the call of time the big fellow rushed madly at his opponent holding wildly with both hands, but the little fellow stopped nimbly aside and planted his right square on the point of his opponent's jaw, dealing what is sporting parlance is known as the 'angle blow.' The big fellow dropped like a log and failed to respond to the call of time."

PRIVATE Owen Perry, of the Manchester Regiment, is in custody at Holywell, North Wales, awaiting an escort to take him back to his regiment from which he is a deserter. Perry tells a strange story. He says he had served twelve years in the army, and obtained medals for the Egyptian and Afghan campaigns, the Kandahar Cross, and the Queen's jubilee badge. While

he was here he discovered that under a certain boulder stone on the highway between Mysyn and Gromant an immense amount of treasure lay hidden. He put the most implicit faith in his dream, for the moment arriving in England, Perry deserted, made his way into Flintshire, and began searching for the expected gold. He made no secret of his dream; and, accompanied by a large crowd of persons, he has been for some time hunting for the identical boulder stone and the buried treasure. Many immense stones and rocks were excavated, but in vain. The police became interested in the hunt, and eventually put a stop to it by arresting Perry in Chester. The prisoner was acquainted with the district as a boy, which may have had something to do with his singular dream.

The following paragraph is from the London Financial News of April 27th:—

Mr Henry Jenks, of Liverpool, the promoter of various Johore enterprises, and notably of the Johore Company, feeling aggrieved by our references to him in issue of the 12th inst., recently applied to the Public Prosecutor for his bail, a criminal prosecution for libel against the Editor of the Financial News. The Public Prosecutor, however, refused to take him into communication on writing on the subject, if we so desired, we forwarded him through our solicitors, Messrs Lewis and Lewis, a brief statement of the facts in case, and yesterday Messrs Lewis and Lewis received the following reply:—

Director of Public Prosecutions Department, Treasury, April 26th, 1887.

Newspaper Libel and Registration Act, 1881, 44 and 45 Vic. c. 60, s. 3

To the Financial News Limited.

Esq. Mr Henry Jenks.

Dear Sir,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 20th April, 1887, in reply to my letter of the 19th to Mr H. H. Marks and others, of the Financial News, Liverpool, and beg to inform you that I have no objection to grant my name to Soden's 9th of above-named statement, as requested by Messrs Priddon, Edgefield & Co, Solicitors for Mr Henry Jenks, of Liverpool.

I am, dear sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. K. STEPHENSON.

Messrs Lewis and Lewis, 22, Ely-place.

Thus Mr Jenks will have to forego the pleasure of meeting us on this occasion in a criminal court. But if Mr Jenks has really been wronged, and if he still desires to vindicate his character, he may still institute a civil action against us, and if he should win it may recover substantial damages. Messrs Lewis and Lewis will accept service of process on our behalf.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMERY JUDISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Mr A. J. Leach, Justice Judge.)

Mondays, June 6. —

APPEAL AGAINST GOVERNMENT VALUATOR'S ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY.

This morning, Mr J. D. Humphreys, of Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., proprietors of the Hongkong Dispensary, appealed against the valuation placed by Mr A. Shelton Hooper, Government Valuator of Police and Lighting Rates, on the property situated at No. 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central, at which Mr Humphreys is the lessee. Mr Hooper had valued the premises at \$2,900, and Mr Humphreys claims that \$2,400 is a reasonable and fair valuation.

Mr Johnson, of the Criminal Sessional Court, appeared for the Government, and Mr Hooper and the Hon. A. Lister were also in Court.

Mr Humphreys, in stating his case, said that he paid his rent \$450, to Mr Marsh in London in sterling, and he claimed to have converted it into dollars at 4s 2d, which would give \$2,100 a year's rent. He thought the best proof of the value of a property was what it would let for to a sound person, not to a person with whom there was the risk or possibility of him not paying, for speculative purposes. He did not know whether it would be attempted to be shown that somebody might pay more for the property than he was, but he did not think that His Excellency will see his way to exercise his prerogative of mercy in this case, more especially the Engineers' Association of Singapore, of which the prisoner is a member, are prepared to pay the prisoner's passage to England as to give him a chance of making a fresh start in life.

The Straits Times understands that a Petition is being got up by a number of the leading inhabitants of the Colony for presentation to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will, on the occasion of Her Majesty's Jubilee, be graciously pleased to grant a full pardon to Archibald Mitchell Beveridge, at present a prisoner in Penang Gaol. The prisoner was in May 1884 convicted of culpable homicide not amounting to murder by shooting a Chinaman at Lalat in Perak, and sentenced to penal servitude for life. Mr Justice Wood, before whom the case was tried, at first sentenced the prisoner to fourteen years rigorous imprisonment, but on the counsel for the defence pointing out that the sentence, under section 204 of the Penang Code, had been imposed for life or imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years, the learned judge passed the sentence of penal servitude for life. As the offence of which the prisoner was convicted was unpremeditated and more of the nature of a misadventure than a crime, and as he had suffered greatly in health since he was imprisoned, it is hoped that His Excellency will see his way to exercise his prerogative of mercy in this case, more especially the Engineers' Association of Singapore, of which the prisoner is a member, are prepared to pay the prisoner's passage to England as to give him a chance of making a fresh start in life.

The Straits Times translates from a Netherlands India paper:—The idea of establishing a Chinese Bank in one of the chief towns of Java just started in that quarter, does not find favour among the European mercantile community. There the capital required amounts to one million of guilders. The sum fixed upon is not large. Should sufficient interest on that million be ensured, there is money enough among the Chinese in Java to raise even twenty millions. It is, however, only the first step in the direction of exclusively Chinese banking.

It is not a cosmopolitan bank, but in institution for the benefit of Chinese. Self-help, reserve, self-sufficiency, and even covetousness appear to be the motto of the scheme on close scrutiny. From the standpoint of free trade nothing can be said against the setting up of this bank, so long as its promoters confine themselves to fair competition with existing monetary institutions. They seem to have political ends in view from their offering special facilities for giving security to revenue farmers. The Bank, working on these lines, will inevitably acquire increasing influence. At present the Chinese are the majority of the banks in Java. When once the scheme under notice becomes an accomplished fact, race-feeling and pride will prompt them to patronise their own Bank rather than European ones. Should the Chinese bank secure mere millions of working capital, it will prove highly detrimental to the other institutions of the kind.

The Hippo says that the Nanking silk dealers had roughly fixed the price for the new season's silk at \$17, the 100 ounces.

but that the maintenance of the price is rendered uncertain on account of the chilly weather having injured the silk prospects.

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